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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR MONITORING A PROGRAM EXECUTION USING A DEBUG LOGIC

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Notice of Allowability**Application No.**

09/910,206

Applicant(s)

BEUTEN ET AL.

Examiner

Ryan D. Coyer

Art Unit

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERIT IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the after-final amendment filed on 12/9/2009.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,4-6 and 10-14.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☒ Other Search Notes, ANE.I.

The following is the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art of record does not disclose nor render obvious the claimed subject matter as recited in amended Claims 1, 4-6, and 10-14, especially regarding the amended independent Claims 1, 10 and 13 and their limitations comprising:

Claim 1:

wherein a memory address is stored that was accessed before an occurrence of the fault in the fault memory and at least a type of a fault is stored in a fault memory, before the micro controller is reset and started up again and before the program is initialized,
wherein during the execution of the exception routine, the micro controller is reset, the micro controller is started up again, and the program is initialized,
wherein the exception corresponds to an interrupt of the execution of the program,
wherein the debug logic is configured during a startup of the micro controller,
wherein the debug logic monitors whether the program one of (i) accesses a preselectable address range of a memory during the program execution time, and (ii) accesses an address range of a stack of the micro controller beyond a preselectable maximum stack size during the program execution time, and

Claim 10:

wherein a memory address is stored that was accessed before an occurrence of the fault in the fault memory and at least a type of a fault is stored in a fault memory, before the micro controller is reset and started up again and before the program is initialized,
wherein during the execution of the exception routine, the micro controller is reset, the micro controller is started up again, and the program is initialized,
wherein the exception corresponds to an interrupt of the execution of the program,
wherein the debug logic is configured during a startup of the micro controller,
wherein the debug logic monitors whether the program one of (i) accesses a

preselectable address range of a memory during the program execution time, and (ii) accesses an address range of a stack of the micro controller beyond a preselectable maximum stack size during the program execution time, and

wherein the debug logic monitors whether an attempt is made during the program execution time to execute a code sequence of the program in a first type of memory, swapped out from the first type of memory of the micro controller into another type of memory of the microcontroller.

Claim 13:

wherein a memory address is stored that was accessed before an occurrence of the fault in the fault memory and at least a type of a fault is stored in a fault memory, before the micro controller is reset and started up again and before the program is initialized,

wherein during the execution of the exception routine, the micro controller is reset, the micro controller is started up again, and the program is initialized,

wherein the exception corresponds to an interrupt of the execution of the program,

wherein the debug logic is configured during a startup of the micro controller,

wherein the debug logic monitors whether the program one of (i) accesses a preselectable address range of a memory during the program execution time, and (ii) accesses an address range of a stack of the micro controller beyond a preselectable maximum stack size during the program execution time, and

wherein the debug logic monitors whether an attempt is made during the program execution time to execute a code sequence of the program in a first type of memory, swapped out from the first type of memory of the micro controller into another type of memory of the microcontroller.

in the context of their remaining claim limitations and as best illustrated by figures 1 and 3 of the as-filed specification.

The closest prior art of record, U.S. Patent No. 5,680,620 ("Ross") and U.S. Patent No. 6,535,811 ("Rowland et al."), do not jointly or in combination with other prior

art disclosures render obvious the aforementioned limitations of the pending independent claims. Regarding the cited references, Examiner agrees with the following excerpts of Applicants' remarks filed 4/10/2009:

Additionally, each of claims 15, 16 and 17 includes the following further features in which: *a memory address is stored that was accessed before an occurrence of the fault in the fault memory and at least a type of a fault is stored in a fault memory, before the micro controller is reset and started up again and before the program is initialized, during the execution of the exception routine, the micro controller is reset, the micro controller is started up again, and the program is initialized, the exception corresponds to an interrupt of the execution of the program, the debug logic is configured during a startup of the micro controller, the debug logic monitors whether the program one of (i) accesses a preselectable address range of a memory during the program execution time, and (ii) accesses an address range of a stack of the micro controller beyond a preselectable maximum stack size during the program execution time, and the debug logic monitors whether an attempt is made during the program execution time to execute a code sequence of the program in a first type of memory, swapped out from the first type of memory of the micro controller into another type of memory of the microcontroller.* The applied references do not disclose this combination of features, including for the reasons explained as to the respective base claims.

Specifically, the prior art of record does disclose or render obvious the method of debugging as set forth in claims 15-17, which have been incorporated into claims 1, 10 and 13. Therefore, the cited references, taken alone or in view of any other recorded reference, do not anticipate nor render obvious the invention of the amended independent claims, specifically regarding the aforementioned claim limitations. Accordingly, the pending claims are patentable over the prior art of record.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to RYAN D. COYER whose telephone number is (571) 270-5306, and whose fax number is (571) 270-6306.. The examiner can normally be reached via phone on Mon-Thurs, 9a-7p. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wei Zhen, can be reached on (571) 272-3708. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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